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SUBJECT: OPIC INVESTMENT INCENTIVE AGREEMENT

REF: A. STATE 237418; B. STATE 224717

1. RESPONSIBLE LAW MINISTRY OFFICIAL RAISED FOLLOWING POINTS IN INITIAL REVIEW OF DRAFT AGREEMENT (REF A).

A. WOULD LIKE PARA ONE TO PROVIDE DETAILED STATEMENT OF WHAT ENCOMPASSED BY "COVERAGE", I.E., DESCRIPTION OF TYPES OF INSURANCE, ETC.

- B. WOULD LIKE PARA SIX TO INDICATE THAT SITE OF ARBITRATION PROCEEDING WILL BE BANGLADESH UNLESS THE TRIBUNAL SPECIALLY DECIDES ON ANOTHER VENUE.
- 2. THESE REQUESTS APPEAR TO BE BASED ON (A) FACT THAT PAKISTAN AGREEMENT SPECIFIES PARTICULAR TYPES OF COVERAGE AND (B) RECOGNITION THAT MOST EVIDENCE WILL BE IN BANGLADESH.
- 3. OPIC PLEASE INSTRUCT RE ACCEPTABILITY OF ABOVE AND PROVIDE DRAFT LANGUAGE.
- 4. LAW MINISTRY OFFICIAL INITIALLY QUESTIONED THE NEED FOR INCORPORATION OF EXISTING COVERAGE INTO SCOPE OF AGREEMENT BUT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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APPEARED SATISFIED WITH EXPLANATION OF ACTUAL EXISTING COVERAGE

AND POTENTIAL CLAIMS. VERY LIKELY THAT OTHERS WILL RAISE SAME QUESTION. ASSUME NO OBLIGATIONS LIKELY TO ARISE RE VINNELL INSURED INVESTMENTS (REF B) AND WE NEED ONLY REFER TO BELBAGCO AND SQUIBB.

5. DRAFT FORMALLY SUBMITTED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY AND INFORMALLY TO ALL OTHERS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN DECISION. MEETING SET UP WITH MINISTER OF COMMERCE DECEMBER 7. UNDERSTAND HE IS INTERESTED EXECUTION OF OPIC AGREEMENT.

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